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- Pages of Specification including an Abstract 21
- Pages of Claims (Claims 1 20) 5
- Sheet(s) of formal drawings 6
- XXXXXXX A Declaration and Power of Attorney Information Disclosure Statement
- Form PTO 1449 and Reference AE

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- 1. Transmittal Letter in duplicate;
- 2. Declaration and Power of Attorney (1);
- 3. Patent Application (21 pgs. spec. & abstract, 5 pgs. Claims 1 20);
- 4. 6 pages of formal drawings;
- 5. Information Disclosure Statement;
- 6. Form PTO 1449;
- 7. Reference AE; and
- 8. Two return postcards.